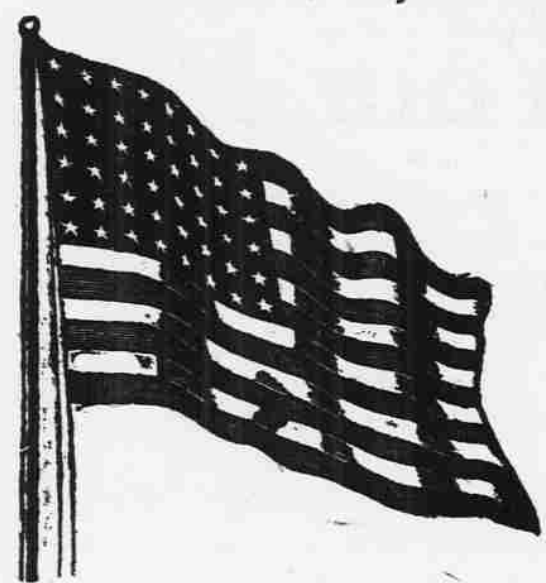


GOOD WILL DAY--



Good Will and Whole Hearted Service has built in your midst an institution that is the pride of this section.

Your Banking Home shares with you the spirit of Home Coming and Good Will Week, June 29--July 5, and our officers will appreciate a visit from you. Drop in to see us. Bring your friend and introduce him to the Friendly Bank.

THE FIRST & CITIZENS NAT'L BANK

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C.

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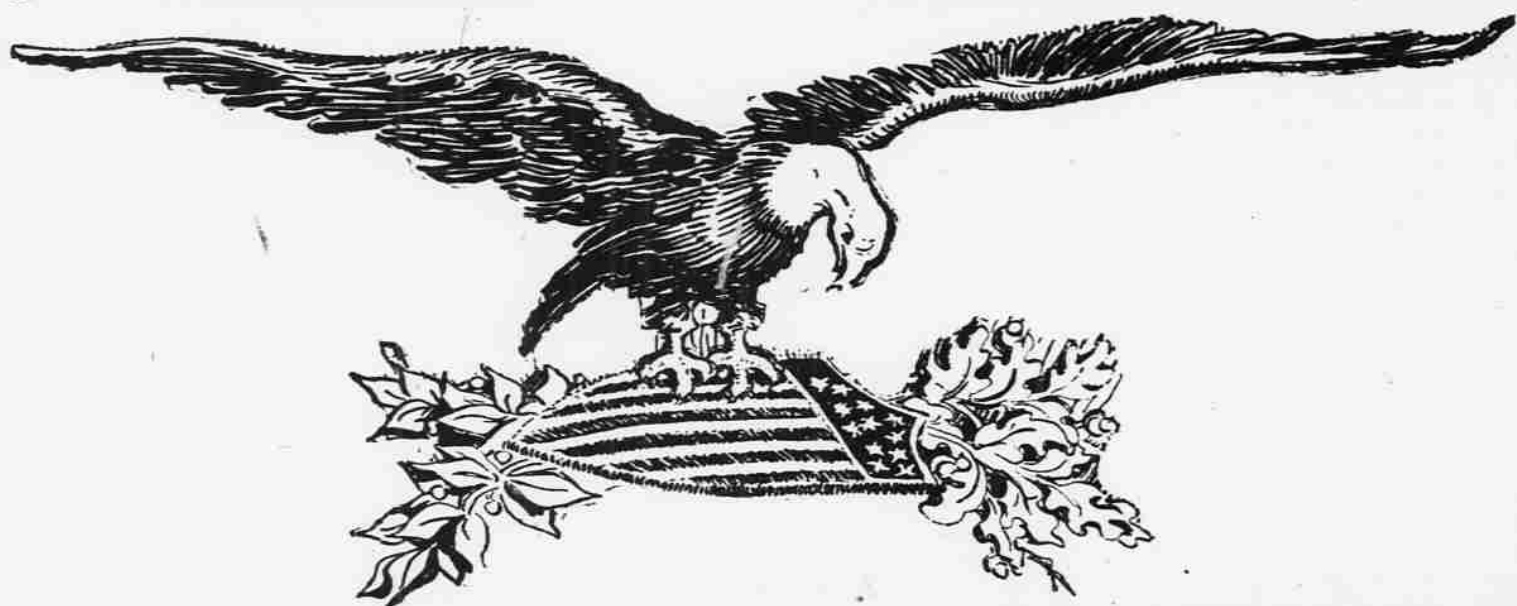
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THE WOMAN'S WEAR STORE



Come to Elizabeth City
ON THE

Glorious Fourth

The programs on that day will be varied and entertaining—and on this year we are particularly anxious for all to come so that we may give a real welcome and day of entertainment to the boys who have just returned from the different branches of service—and to their families and friends.

ELIZABETH CITY BIDS YOU WELCOME—AND INVITES YOU TO COME

We are now showing a wonderful assortment of crisp Voile and Nobbyingham Dresses—Just the dress you need to be appropriately dressed at this season of the year.

Prices \$5.00 to \$25.00

STYLISH WASH SKIRTS

A larger or better assortment of these popular garments we have never shown—Made of Garbardine, Wash Satin, etc.

Prices from \$1.00 to \$20.00

LINGERIE WAISTS

We have most anything you may want in these garments—Beautiful Voile, Batiste and Organdie Waists, trimmed with lace, embroidery and tucks.

Splendid Values \$1.00 to \$3.50

LET US FIT YOU UP WITH APPROPRIATE CLOTHES FOR THIS GREAT AND GLORIOUS FOURTH

M. Leigh Sheep Co.

WOMAN'S WEAR

SURFMEN HERE IN ANNUAL SESSION

Which Fact Recalls Interesting History of the Coast Guard

The nineteenth annual convention of the Surfmens Mutual Benefit Association met in Elizabeth City this week and was attended by nearly a hundred members of the U. S. Coast Guard. Officers elected for the ensuing year are: J. B. Jones, of Elizabeth City, President; M. P. Hite, of Elizabeth City, First Vice President; J. Holcomb, of Atlantic City, N. J., Second Vice President; E. H. Peel, of Manteo, N. C., Secretary and Treasurer. The time and place of the next meeting has not been fixed.

Wednesday night the Surfmens were guests of the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce at a banquet held in the Masonic Hall.

Elizabeth City always finds peculiar pleasure in welcoming the Surfmens or Coast Guard. The U. S. Life Saving Service was instituted in 1871, under Civil Service regulations. By 1875 ten Life Saving Stations had been established on the North Carolina Coast between Virginia and Hatteras Inlet. These stations were poorly equipped and inadequately manned for only a few months in the year, in the beginning. But the service grew rapidly from year to year until thousands of men were employed in the life saving service on the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts, on the Gulf of Mexico and the Great Lakes.

The Surfman, as the life saver was then called, led a hard and dangerous existence. He was exposed to all in the pursuit of his avocation. He clement weather and often faced death received only a small allowance for his work and when he died his widow and orphan children could expect no help from the government which the husband and father had so faithfully served.

In 1900 there met in Elizabeth City a little band of life savers and here was organized the Surfmens Mutual Benefit Association. The objects of the association were fraternal and beneficial. This association proposed to relieve the widows and orphans of its deceased members. The organization grew by leaps and bounds, its affairs were economically administered and in 19 years it has paid out over \$250,000 to the dependents of deceased members.

The membership of the association has at times embraced more than 1,600 members on the Atlantic, Pacific, Gulf and Lakes coasts. Its membership at this time has been reduced to about 900, due to many of the members having dropped out when they took up with government War Risk Insurance. An increase in membership is expected now that the war is over.

In 1915 the Life Saving Service was made a branch of the military establishment of the United States and called the Coast Guard. There is now before Congress a bill to continue the Coast Guard as a branch of the U. S. Navy. When the world was at peace the Surfman patrolled every inch of the country's coast on the lookout for ships in distress. In uncertain times of war and rumors of war the Coast Guard patrols every inch of the coast, not only to sight vessels in distress but to detect and report by phone and wireless the appearance of enemy or suspicious craft.

Elsworth P. Bertholf, Commodore Commandant, United States Coast Guard; Oliver P. Maxam, former Assistant General Superintendent, United States Life Saving Service; Congressman E. E. Holland of Virginia; and Congressman John H. Small of North Carolina were among the prominent men scheduled to be here during the convention, but neither of the two congressmen found it convenient to be present. Commodore Bertholf and former Assistant Superintendent Maxam attended, and took an active participation in the deliberations of the convention.

Maxam is particularly popular with the surfmen. He is a big, broad-shouldered Jew and has a way of getting at the bottom of affairs without waste of time and hot air, that, coupled with his former high position in the service, made him an important figure in the doings of the convention.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Perkin's Chapel Sunday School has suffered a bereavement and great loss in the death of Brother

Fleetwood P. Snowden, who was for several years our faithful and efficient secretary, we desire to pay tribute to his faithful services as a worker in our Sunday School.

Resolved (1) That we publicly express the keen sense of our loss in his removal from a life of usefulness.

(2) That we express also our hearty appreciation of his labors with us, and that we shall miss his radiant face and kindly advice.

(3) That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him "Who doeth all things well" and that we do extend

to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy for the vacancy in their lives and affections, and pray that Heaven's richest blessings and consolation be given to them.

(4) That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family, a copy recorded on the minutes of our Sunday School and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and The Independent for publication.

E. W. ADDISON, Supt.,

G. C. BOSWOOD, Secty.

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SIBLEY'S SUPERB SHOW

Elizabeth City, June 30 to July 5

Playing all Next Week

Trained Wild Animal Circus

BIG ATHLETIC ARENA

Motordrome

Monkey Speedway

Museum of Freaks and Novelties

Baby Show

Monkey Boy

Old Plantation, the South Before the War

The Whip Ferris Wheel Merry-go-Round

Many other attractions, including free open air outdoor spectacles and continuous music by Brass Band.

Don't Miss Sibley's Shows

DISTRICT HIGHWAY A LONG WAY OFF

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to be taxed to build a part of a road in one county when there is no positive assurance that the road will ever be completed thru all the counties?

With only \$250,000 in hand, the District Highway Commission can not exact an appropriation of more than \$250,000 from the State Highway Commission. This would give it a total of \$500,000, or enough to build one third of the proposed road, according to Chairman Page. Which third of the road would be built first? And what assurance have the five counties that

the other two thirds of the road would ever be built?

This newspaper regrets to have to give the northeastern North Carolina public this pessimistic report of a matter in which thousands are vitally interested, but the facts justify nothing else.

There was nothing in the demeanor of Chairman Page at the conference in this city to cause this newspaper to regret its recent suspicions that this section of the state will have hard sledding in getting anything at all from the State Highway Commission.

The Pasquotank Highway Commission has nearly abandoned hope of getting aid for Pasquotank roads and will proceed at once to spend its own bond issue of \$500,000.

Women Chimney Sweeps.

In Paris women have proved entirely efficient as chimney sweeps. They are said to ply their new roof trade as fearlessly as if they were born to it.

Poor Garden Building.

The most ridiculous results in garden building come from trying to convert (and pervert) the grounds into something out of harmony with surroundings.

As to Formal Gardens.

Even out in the country formal gardens abound, and if the lay of the land does not agree it is cut and filled and bolstered up to suit, with generally unsatisfactory results.